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This will certainly result in heavy damage to the outer wells and might result in deferring the entire furnace. The repair of the furnace may require several months.

- 4. The firm Bleichert, Leipzig (SAC Transmetch), was to produce the incline conveyor for charging the furnace. Since Bleichert is now working at full capacity on Russian reparations orders, the delivery date for this machine was pastroned to the end of 1051. A temporary small conveyor, with a especity of only two tens, was teed to charge the furnace. Through overlading, the conveyor cable broke, and the conveyor car fell to the ground. In this accident, the three circular scaffelds around the furnace callapsed and several workers were killed.
- 8. Contrary to official plans, no Russian from ore has as yet arrived at Fürstenberg/Ofer. The furnace has been charged with limenite iron ore (Rasenbisonstein) from the Bardeleben area. Ore from this site is also be be used in the Calbe/Saale project.
- 6. The first furnace at the Misenhuttenkombinat West, Calbe/Saale, a project for the smelting of iron ore in open-hearth furnaces with lightto from Central Cermany, was recently also put Into operation. Until now, this new type process has resulted in the production of an unusable slag-like iron with a two per cent sulphur and two per cent phosphorous content.

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